95.09.30 95JP-276344 (97.04.08) C08L 33/02, C08K 5/19 Gel composition used for cosmetics - comprises carboxy:vinyl n = 0, positive integer; polymer and low molecular weight betaine, and has good moisturesum of carbon numbers of R<sup>1</sup>, R<sup>2</sup>, and R<sup>3</sup> and n is 8 or less. retaining properties Opt.  $R^1$ ,  $R^2$  and  $R^3$  are methyl, pref. n is 0 or 2. C97-086240 (A) is contained in (i) 0.01-5 (pref. 0.05-2) wt. %, (B) is contained in (I) 0.01-3 (pref. 0.1-20) wt. %. Gel composition comprises (A) carboxyvinyl polymer(s) and (B) low mol. wt. betaine(s). **EMBODIMENT** (A) is e.g. 'Carbopol 940' (RTM), 'Carbopole 941' (RTM), 'Hibis Wako 104' (RTM), 'Hibis Wako 105' (RTM) etc. Gel composition is useful for preparation of cosmetics, medicated (B) has mol. wt. 200 or less, opt. (B) is trimethylglycine or gammaplasters, etc. butyrobetaine. (I) is prepared by blending (A), (B) and gel substrate(s) (e.g fats and **ADVANTAGE** oils, waxes, surfactants, lower alcohol(s), water-soluble polymer(s), (i) has good moisture-remaining properties to improve rough skin. moisture-remaining agent(s) etc.), water and opt. additive(s) (e.g. (i) is prepared from available materials readily. antioxidant, bactericide, UV-ray absorber, colourant, perfume). PREFERRED MATERIALS **EXAMPLE** (B) is represented by formula 0.1 pts. wt. Carboxyvinyl polymer (Hibis Wako 105 (RTM) and  $(R^1)(R^2)(R^3)N^+(CH_2)_{n+1}COO^-(I)$ . 0.01 pt. wt. trimethylglycine were dissolved in 99.89 pts. wt. water to  $R^{1}$ ,  $R^{2}$ ,  $R^{3} = 1-6$  C alkyl, and; JP 09095584-A+ obtain (i). (i) had good moisture-remaining properties and treating effect to rough skin. (9pp129DwgNo.0/0)

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